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FIN DE SIECLE.

It would be preposterous to draw any parallel between the times of the French revolution and the scenes which are being enacted in America today, but there are, nevertheless, some circumstances which fit both centuries. The same feeling of unrest pervades America now which swept over France one hundred years ago; the same agitation against wealth, and the railings of the unfortunate against the fortunate. That the French revolutionists were wholly wrong in their views and actions, is not for a moment considered, though the excesses into which they plunged were unjustifiable.

In America the symptoms which are manifest, though they are not reassuring for the maintenance of a satisfactory commercial condition, will lead to nothing beyond material discomfort. Civilization has advanced too far and the nation is too lusty for an attack such as overwhelmed France and made the rule of Napoleon possible. And yet the fruits which this year is bearing show that the American people have been leading away from the teachings of their earliest and best instructors. In the convention which is meeting now in St. Louis can be seen some examples of this truth. The convention is composed of men from various pursuits in life, and whose trainings were obtained in widely different circumstances. Many of them aspire to good citizenship, and conscientiously believe in the principles they are advocating. But there is a class among them, and who sympathize with them, consisting of professional agitators; men of revolutionary instincts, who are of a turn of mind which precludes success in any line of work save in stirring strife. Of unbalanced temperments, they are capable of being carried away by their own enthusiasm, and can lead unthinking people to dangerous precedents.

It is from this class of men that the country has to fear. Algeld is one of them; Tillman is another. "Cyclone" Davis, "Bloody Bridles" Waite are other examples of enthusiasm run riot, and the country and age which produce them have cause to ponder over the future. Many of the principles which these men advocate are inimical to the country's welfare, and the only panacea for such ills as we are suffering through the disturbance to our commercial equilibrium will be obtained by a return of national prosperity, which will keep the people employed and allow of no idle minds wherein such schemes may be contrived.

The Democrats are averse to having any discussion over the tariff during the campaign. The tariff is a dead issue they say; no one wants to hear about protection or free trade. But four years ago the question of protection and free trade was the all-absorbing one. The advocates of the later policy won, and their theory has been given a practical test and proven a failure. The American people are but waiting for the day to come when they can render their verdict. In the meantime

what reason exists for trusting the Democratic party, with its free silver platform, after its utter failure of the last three years?

HONESTY AGAINST DISHONESTY

This is the policy that Bryan is asking the honest men of the United States to vote for:

"We demand the free and unlimited coinage of both silver and gold at the present legal ratio of 16 to 1, without waiting for the aid or consent of any other nation. We demand that the standard silver dollar shall be a full legal tender, equally with gold, for all debts, public and private, and we favor such legislation as will prevent for the future the demonetization of any kind of legal-tender money by private contract."

And this is the statement of principles to which McKinley adheres:

"We are unalterably opposed to every measure calculated to debase our currency or impair the credit of our country. We are, therefore, opposed to the free coinage of silver, except by international agreement with the leading commercial nations of the world, which we pledge ourselves to promote; and until such agreement can be obtained the existing gold standard must be preserved."

The Chicago platform, says the Tribune, means that the savings banks and insurance companies may pay 53 cents to every poor man who has a claim upon them. The St. Louis platform means that, as now, under the existing gold standard, every dollar which the laborer receives for his work, the farmer receives for his wheat, and the thrifty man pays for insurance or puts in the bank, is worth 100 cents, so shall every dollar received or paid out by them in the future be worth 100 cents in every market in the world. Every man who wishes to do justice and to receive justice must vote for McKinley.

Two years ago in a speech delivered at Springfield, Missouri, Mr. Bryan said: "The increase of coinage decreases the value and vice versa. We don't find perfection in any human being; nor can we expect to find it in a dollar, gold or silver. The advantage of having metallic money is that the supply is large and regular enough to prevent great fluctuations. The objection to paper money is not that it will not pass if limited in amount. It will float along with gold and silver as long as it pays taxes and debts. The danger is that the presses may be set to work and too great fluctuations result. The value of each dollar depends on the number in existence." Now the young orator is declaring that the silver dollar is the most adorable thing on earth, and although unlimited coinage will decrease its value, still he is in favor of it.

Here is something for the wool grower of Eastern Oregon, whose wool remains unsold in The Dalles warehouses. In a speech in congress during the debate on the Wilson bill William J. Bryan, the Democratic candidate for president, said: "It is immaterial, in my judgment, whether the sheep grower receives any benefit from the tariff or not. Whether he does or not, I am for free wool."

The enthusiasm which attended Bryan's nomination at the outset is beginning to decline. He is not the man whom people can long hurrah about. From now till election day Bryan stock will be upon the wane, and after that he will be known in history only as illustrating a phenomenon in American politics. Bryan could get more votes tomorrow than he can three months from now.

Bryan would be happy if the other fair charmer were away. He has more vice presidents to take care of than he can handle, and their prolixity will be his ruin. In the meantime will be back up his telegram that he would not run if Sewall were turned down. We think not. That telegram was a Bryan bluff.

The fruit crop of Oregon this season will not be so large as a year ago; but less damage has resulted in Wasco county than in any other section. As a country suitable for diversified fruit culture this section has no superior, and the future promises great things.

WHAT GOLD COINS ARE WORTH.

Recently, in reply to a correspondent, the Baltimore Sun stated that a \$20 gold piece is worth \$20 by reason of the weight of gold in it, not by reason of the government stamp or inscription. If the gold piece were melted into a lump, it would still be worth \$20 in the market. There are 23.22 grains, Troy, of pure gold in the gold dollar. In other words, the gold in a coin obtained no increase of value in the process of coinage. No appreciable part of its value was due to the mint's stamp, and the proof of this was that if melted down the coin was worth as much as before. Whereas, the silver dollar, the coinage of which it is proposed to make free, is worth when melted down but little over 50 cents.

As several correspondents questioned the correctness of the statement, the Sun, to end all question, addressed inquiries to the director of the mint at Washington, with the following result:

A. S. Abell Company, publishers Baltimore Sun, Baltimore, Md.: Gentlemen—In reply to your inquiries relative to the value of gold and U. S. gold coins, I submit the following:

"1. What do you give for gold?"

Answer—The government pays for gold at the rate of \$20.67 per ounce, fine, or \$18.60 per ounce, standard, 9-10th fine.

"2. Is there a charge for minting, and if so, how much is it?"

Answer—The government makes no charge for coining gold.

"3. Is there a charge for the copper used to prepare gold for the mint?"

Answer—When the bullion deposited is not suitable for coinage and requires parting and refining, charges are made for these operations, equal to the expense incurred in eliminating the base metals and parting the gold from the silver when the two metals are combined. There is also a charge of two cents per ounce for copper required for alloy. Upon gold bullion of standard fineness, that is, containing 3-10ths gold and 1-10th copper, no charge whatever would be imposed.

"4. Will the mint give \$1 for 23.22 grains of pure gold?"

Answer—The depositor of gold bullion is allowed 100 cent for every 23.22 grains, Troy, of pure gold his deposit may contain.

"5. What is a \$20 gold piece worth in the market if melted into a lump?"

Answer—Twenty dollars if it has lost nothing in the melting.

State Superintendent McElroy is, it is rumored, a candidate for the presidency of the State Agricultural College. When will Oregon get rid of its perennial office-seekers.

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FAMOUS SONG.

The Song That Reaches Our Hearts is "My Old Kentucky Home."

There is one song in the English language that, perhaps, comes closer to the hearts of Americans, particularly if they are far from home and kinsmen, than any other. That song is "My Old Kentucky Home." The simple, tender story it tells and its irresistible melody are familiar to nearly every one. It has been sung by noted singers in every civilized country on the globe, and has been eulogized by authors and critics of classical taste; yet its author, Stephen Foster, died unhonored and unrecognized, and unconscious of the masterly work he had wrought. Like nearly all other great artists, however, Foster's recompense came after he was dead, and it is safe to say that "My Old Kentucky Home" and its writer's name will live so long as human sentiment and love of home endure.

Those Americans who were present at a Patti concert in the Grand opera house of Paris in the early seventies are, many of them, old men and women now, but they can still vividly recall the indescribable scene when the diva appeared in response to an encore and sang, as only Patti could sing, this sweet, simple ballad. It was entirely unexpected, and before they were aware strong men were weeping and women were hysterically giving vent to emotions they did not try to control. At its conclusion the great singer was literally showered with flowers and costly gifts. One rich American threw a roll of bills over the footlights that was said to contain a sum of money up in the thousands. The demonstration was perhaps the most magnificent ever accorded a suitor for public favor.

Appropos of all this, the following from the Philadelphia Call illustrates the wonderful charm the song still holds:

A street singer stopped to sing the other night in front of a well-known hotel. He was an old chap, blind of one eye, and infirm, but gifted with the remnant of what was once a very sweet tenor voice. With him as attendant and guide was his daughter, a child of sunny Italy, sun-browned, large-eyed and attractive in her picturesque garb. The old fellow sang first that ditty of the streets: "Just Tell Them That You Saw Me," provoking little attention. Then he began to sing in his tremulous, quavering voice an old favorite. As he proceeded the windows of the hotel were raised one by one and guests looked out with sympathetic eyes. Coins showered down to the picturesque little maid, who circulated about with her tambourine, collecting. Men strolled out of the cafe and gathered on the steps, listening with interest. One old fellow, a tall, soldierly-looking man, with flashing dark eyes and an air that was unmistakably southern, gave the child a note with the remark: "It did my heart a dollar's worth of good." When the last strain of the touching, old melody died away everybody present wore that dreamy look that tells of old memories stirred and refreshed.

The song was "The Old Kentucky Home;" the southerner touched by its rendition a former Kentuckian ruined by the ravages of the war.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Through trains on the O. R. & N will run via Umatilla, Walla Walla and Pendleton. Through sleepers, first and second class will run in connection with the Union Pacific, the same as heretofore. A through first-class sleeper from Portland to Spokane, connecting with the first-class sleeper to St. Paul and a through tourist sleeper from Portland to St. Paul, will be run in connection with the Great Northern railway.

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